

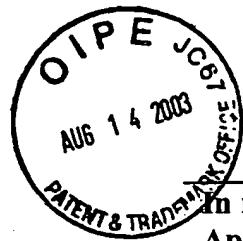
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Patrick Rivelli Jr.
Application No.: 09/715878
Filed: November 17, 2000
For: Neurovascular Stent and Method
Examiner: Tan-Uyen T. Ho
Group Art Unit: 3731

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Docket No.: S63.2P-10978-US02

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:
7 pages Amendment in response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2003; 2 pages VAS Transmittal Letter; and Return Postcard.
2. With respect to fees:
 No additional fee is required.
 Attached is check # 39267 in the amount of \$ 180.00
 Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.
3. **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**
This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

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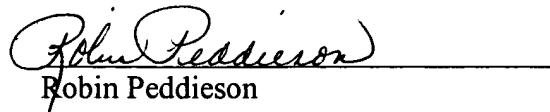

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Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8: I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s) as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as FIRST CLASS MAIL, addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 12, 2003.



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Amendment

This amendment is in response to the office action dated May 12, 2003.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows:

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